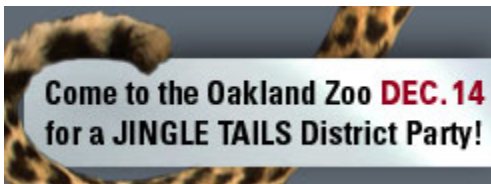




### **Community News & Events**

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Oakland Zoo.

Share the Spirit of the Season: Bring a jar of peanut butter or a can of tuna to donate to the Alameda County Food Bank and you will receive either a free pass to the new *Alvin and the Chipmunks* movie in theatres starting on December 14<sup>th</sup> (50 passes available) or a free one-day pass to the Oakland Zoo.

**Please RSVP by calling the District Office at (510) 583-8818 or email [christopher.parman@asm.ca.gov](mailto:christopher.parman@asm.ca.gov).** Parking is free for the holiday party by notifying the parking attendant of your arrival.

**Wishing You and Your Family a Wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!**

## Community News

### Assemblymember Mary Hayashi Receives Perfect Scores for Her Environmental Voting Record



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi received perfect scores on her environmental voting record from two of the state's most prestigious environmental organizations, the Sierra Club California and the California League of Conservation Voters (CLCV).

Susan Smartt, Executive Director of the CLCV stated, "Your demonstrated commitment to the protection and enhancement of California's environment has earned this recognition by CLCV."

Sierra Club California represents 13 chapters and nearly 200,000 members.

### Assemblymember Hayashi Gives Keynote Address at National Survivors of Suicide Day Conference



On Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, Assemblymember Hayashi presented the keynote address at the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's (AFSP) 9<sup>th</sup> Annual National Survivors of Suicide Day local conference held at ValleyCare Medical Plaza in Pleasanton. Entitled, "Mending Hearts and Souls," this local conference brought together survivors of suicide loss, people who have lost family members or friends to suicide in order to offer healing, support, information and empowerment. In addition to the keynote address, attendees participated in a facilitated group discussion, were given information and resources for healing, and watched the national broadcast from AFSP.

"It was an honor to present the keynote address," said Assemblymember Hayashi. "With over 3,000 Californians who die by suicide each year, this conference was extremely important for the tens of thousands of surviving spouses, parents, siblings, and friends to convene and heal through understanding and knowledge."

### Honoring the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Teamsters Joint Council 7 at San Francisco's City Hall



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi along with Assemblymembers Ira Ruskin and Mark Leno presented Mr. Chuck Mack with an official Assembly proclamation honoring the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Teamsters Joint Council 7. The men and women of the Teamsters proudly serve our community by transporting goods to our stores, hauling our household waste to recycling and sanitation centers, and delivering holiday packages to our homes as employees of UPS.

Celebrating 100 years of service brought together our federal, state, county and local elected officials, friends, and family. Congratulations Teamsters!



### Three Middle School Teachers Recognized for Being Outstanding Educators



Congratulations!

The communities within the 18<sup>th</sup> Assembly District are privileged to possess three outstanding teachers who educate the leaders of tomorrow. Recognized by the California League of Middle Schools and honored by Assemblymember Hayashi for their excellence, Mr. Lawrence Yano of Bohannon Middle School in San Lorenzo, Ms. Sue Williams of Canyon Middle School in Castro Valley, and Ms. Elaine Anderson of Creekside Middle School in Castro Valley received official proclamations for their efforts.

These three teachers have enriched the minds and skills of many students and have created a path for them to achieve their full potential.

### Congratulating the 139<sup>th</sup> Academy of Newly Sworn Law Enforcement Graduates



Congratulations to the recent graduates of the 139<sup>th</sup> Academy of the Alameda County Sheriff's Office Regional Training Center in Dublin. These 53 newly sworn officers will serve and protect many Bay Area communities by joining the law enforcement agencies of the Alameda County Sheriff's Department, Hayward Police Department, Pleasanton Police Department and the San Leandro Police Department.

Please welcome these brave new officers to our communities and honor those who currently serve with valor by keeping the peace and making our communities as safe as possible.

## Two Community Leaders Announce Their Retirements



Dr. Robert Carlson, President of Chabot College, and Mr. Eric Willyerd, General Manager of the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District have announced their respective retirements.

After 38 years in the field of education, Dr. Carlson announced his retirement and was presented with a Senate Joint Resolution by Senator Corbett and Assemblymember Hayashi for his contribution to the education of California's college students. Dr. Carlson provided leadership that assisted with the passage of a \$498 million bond measure for the construction and revitalization of the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District.

Mr. Willyerd announced his retirement after dedicating 36 years in the field of parks and recreation. Mr. Willyerd played a pivotal role in virtually all of the major park developments, expansions and improvements throughout the HARD district including the latest acquisition, clean-up and transformation of the Holland Oil Property in the Ashland Area into a new community park. His tireless hard work and unwavering commitment has compiled an impressive record of career and

civic achievements.



## New 2-1-1 Phone Service Provides Free Information about Housing, Health and Social Services

**Simply Dial 2-1-1** The California Public Utilities Commission has approved Eden I&R, Inc., a non-profit agency located in Hayward, to provide all 2-1-1 services for Alameda County. This 24 hour/7 days a week phone service allows individuals to call and speak to a live call specialist in multiple languages about housing, health and social services. Call 2-1-1 if you are in need of:

Affordable housing ♦ After-school programs ♦ Tenants' rights assistance ♦ Public assistance programs ♦ Emergency shelters ♦ Hot meals and food programs ♦ Rental and utility assistance ♦ Services for battered women ♦ and much more!



## Upcoming Events

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### Free Vision Screening Clinic for Seniors – Friday, January 11th



In observance of January being National Glaucoma Awareness Month, ophthalmologists from the California Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, in conjunction with Prevent Blindness Northern California, we welcome you to participate in a Free Eye Screening Clinic for Seniors on Friday, January 11, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 (noon) at the Marina Community Center located at 15301 Wicks Boulevard in San Leandro.

As we age, our eyes become more susceptible to common eye diseases and disorders. It is important for seniors to have an annual eye exam in order to detect early stages of problematic eye conditions while they can be prevented or corrected.

#### Screenings available:

- Glaucoma
- Cataracts
- New Eye Glasses or Contact Lenses

**To RSVP for a free eye exam, please contact the Assembly District Office at (510) 583-8818.** Please note a limited number of eye exams will be available due to time constraints.

## Resources Available

### Publications Available



Child Immunization Law



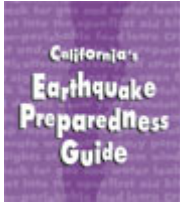
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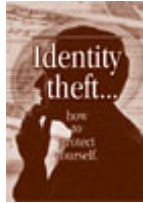
High Blood Pressure



Senior Resource Guide



Earthquake Preparedness Guide



ID Theft Guide



Diabetes Guide



Stroke: Don't ignore the risk factors!



Breast Cancer Resource Guide



Children's Coloring Book – How a Bill Becomes Law

Free community resource guides are now available in print or online through Assemblymember Mary Hayashi's district office. Over the next few weeks, copies will be made available throughout the 18<sup>th</sup> Assembly District at senior centers, libraries, health clinics, and community organizations. If you or your organization would like printed copies, contact the district office at (510) 583-8818.

### State Resources Website



Want to find energy saving tips? Find it and over 170 other state resource links that offer valuable information on a wide range of topics such as how to find a smog-check only station, how to receive free cash for college, how to protect yourself from identity theft, and how to apply for a FasTrak toll device.

To visit the new webpage, log on to Assemblymember Hayashi's official homepage at [www.assembly.ca.gov/hayashi](http://www.assembly.ca.gov/hayashi) and click on the *[State Resources Websites](#)* link. This will lead web browsers to a list of service-based websites. From there click on any of the service links and be directed to the appropriate state agency's website.

Whether you're looking for tips on how to save on prescriptions or attempting to find the nearest recycling center, this new webpage is a convenient and comprehensive resource.

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If you prefer not to receive email updates or correspondences from the Office of Assemblymember Hayashi, please opt-out by emailing your request to [Christopher.parman@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Christopher.parman@asm.ca.gov).